

III. REMARKS

As well known in the prior art, TDMA systems comprise a plurality of frames. In turn, each frame comprises a plurality of time slots(TS). This plurality numbers eight in Fig. 3 or four in the enclosed drawing. In the enclosed drawing, the TS are numbered 0 to 3 and, in accordance with the invention, one TS in each frame, e.g., No. 2, is shaded to show that it is the one having the packet data. Of course, another TS in each frame can be used. In a plurality of frames there will be many time slots having the packet data.

The independent claims have been amended to clarify these features. In particular, they recite "...a plurality of radio frames, each frame having a plurality of sequential time slots...", "...sequential radio bursts in the same sequential time slot...", "...each of said same sequential time slots relating to one burst...", "...selecting the number of radio bursts in said sequential time slots...". Thus it is clear that the packet data are present in the only one TS per frame and that it is always the same sequential TS, i.e., has the same sequence number. Further, in a plurality of frames there will be many TS having the packet data.

Hence it is submitted that the claims are consistent and definite. Thus the rejection of claims 1-27 under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, should be withdrawn.

Page 9, ll. 14-15, mean that it is irrelevant to the present invention how many radio bursts per a certain data block are used. Thus, it is not necessary to disclose this.

Hence the rejection of claims 1-27 under 35 U.S.C. 112, 1st paragraph, should be withdrawn.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed for a two-month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

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